OFFICE OF TEXTILES AND APPAREL (OTEXA)

Market Reports Textiles, Apparel, Footwear and Travel Goods

Paraguay

The following information is provided only as a guide and should be confirmed with the proper authorities before embarking on any export activities.

Import Tariffs

Paraguay and its Southern Cone Common Market (MERCOSUR) partners, Argentina, Brazil, and Uruguay apply a common external tariff (CET) on textile products imported from non-MERCOSUR countries. However, there are a number of exceptions in several categories including textile and apparel products. Tariffs, listed in the table below, are assessed on an ad valorem basis, i.e., duties are assessed as a percentage of the c.i.f. (cost, insurance and freight) value of the imported merchandise.

Paraguay (MERCOSUR): Tariffs (percent ad valorem) on Textiles, Apparel, Footwear and Travel Goods

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Yarn		
-silk	5003-5006	4 - 16
-wool	5105-5110	10 - 16
-cotton	5204-5207	14 - 16
-other vegetable fiber	5306-5308	14
-man-made fiber	5401-5406/5501-5511	0 - 18
Woven Fabric		
-silk	5007	18
-wool	5111-5113	2 - 18
-cotton	5208-5212	0 - 26
	5309-5311	11 - 18
-other vegetable fiber		
-man-made fiber	5407-5408/5512-5516	0 - 18
Knit Fabric	60	0 - 18
Non Woven Fabric	5603	0 - 18
Industrial Fabric	59	0 - 16
Apparel	61-62	20 - 25
Home Furnishings	63	2 - 20
including: bed, bath, kitche	n linens, etc.	
Carpet	57	2 - 20
Footwear	64	17 - 25
Travel Goods	4202	4-20

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Import Licenses--The government of Paraguay requires non-automatic licenses for apparel, footwear and other textile products. on a number of products, including textiles and clothing. See the following regulations:

- Made-up articles (NCM chapters 61, 62 and 63) MIC Statistical monitoring Decree No. 1.421/09 of 5 February 2009; and MIC Resolution No. 129/15 of 16 February 2015
- Footwear (25 headings of NCM chapter 64)a MIC Statistical monitoring Decree No. 10.350/12 of 21 December 2012; and MIC Resolution No. 150/2015 of 24 February 2015

For registration requirements applied to the importation of footwear, see: Footwear MIC Annual Decree No. 10.350/12 of 21 December 2012 and Resolution No. 150/2015 of 24 February 2015

For information on local customs requirements and documentation, see:

Direccion Nacional de Aduanas - National Customs Directorate

Standards

Local standards organization and other resources:

- · Sistema Nacional de Informacion y Notificacion SNIN National Information and Notification System
- Asociacion Mercosur de Normalizacion (AMN) Mercosur Standards Association

Labeling

The Southern Cone Common Market (MERCOSUR) countries, which include Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay and Uruguay, have adopted new labeling requirements for textile and apparel products produced in or imported for consumption into a MERCOSUR member country. The Mercosur Technical Regulations on Product Labeling Textiles (Reglamento Técnico Mercosur Sobre Etiquetado de Productos Textiles) requires the following information on a permanent label that is either attached, stamped, printed or otherwise affixed to most textile and apparel products:

- name or registered brand and tax identification of the domestic producer or importer
- country of origin
- fiber content
- care instructions (text and/or symbols, conforming to ISO 3758: 2013)
- · size or dimensions, as applicable.

This information must be in the language of the country of consumption, but may also be in other languages. For more details see the see the text of the Reglamento Técnico Mercosur Sobre Etiquetado de Productos Textiles.

According to Decree 18.568/97, footwear and leather goods must be labeled in Spanish with the following information (however, this regulation may have been superseded by a new footwear and leather products labeling regulation in 2014):

- Country of origin
- Name and address of the manufacturer
- Name and fiscal number of the importer
- Product composition

Standards on labeling and marking fall under the Ministry of Industry and Commerce, Direccion General de Defensa del Consumidor.

For additional information on exporting textiles, apparel, footwear and travel goods, click here.

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